# CASH & NUTRITION PROGRAMS DIVISION

Newsletter

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# Oh, Paddy, dear, an' did ye hear the news that's goin' round?

### LIVING IN A MOBILE/MOTOR HOME

When a GR participant owns and lives in a mobile or motor home, how is the property treated in GR?

The mobile or motor home an individual lives in is exempt from consideration when at least one of the following conditions is met:

- The market value of the mobile home does not exceed \$15,000. (A mobile home cannot be towed by a car, but must be moved professionally because of its size.)
- The market value of the motor home does not exceed \$11.500.

Market value may be verified by viewing a property tax statement or Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) registration.

If the participant does not live in the mobile or motor home, property utilization requirements must be met. (See GR regulations 42-207)

#### **NEW CalWORKs AID CODES ON LEADER**

The new CalWORKs aid codes are scheduled to go into production this month. As mentioned in February's newsletter, the new aid codes will identify the status of the TANF and CalWORKs 60-month time limits. The new aid codes will be automatically assigned by LEADER and LEADER users do not have to add or assign aid codes.

The new aid codes are show as follows:

Aid Code to Start Time Limits	TANF Timed-out Aid Code	"Safety Net" Aid Code CW timed- out
ZERO PARENT		
33	N/A	N/A
3R	N/A	N/A
3G	N/A	N/A
3H	N/A	N/A
TWO PARENTS		
35	N/A	3C
3U	N/A	3C
3M	N/A	3C
ALL OTHER FAMILIES		
30	32	3A
3P	32	3A
3L	N/A	3A
3E	3W	3A
3E	N/A	3A

Three categories have been established by the new aid codes; Zero Parent, Two-parent and All Other Family cases. Zero parent case are child only cases. Two-parent cases are cases with two aided parents. All other cases will fall under the 'All Other Family (AOF)' category. When both parents time out in a Two-parent case or one parent times out in a AOF case, the case is considered a "Safety-net" case and the child(ren) continue to be aided. The assignment of the aid codes will be handled by LEADER and this chart is for information purposes only. LEADER users are not required to add or assign aid codes.

The conversion of the aid codes is the first phase of adding time limit information and time limit tracking capability on LEADER. Time limit information is scheduled to be programmed and implemented on LEADER soon and will replace Interim Time Limit Database (ITLD).

#### **NEW CW7 TRACKING SYSTEM**

The CW 7 Automated Tracking System - that's CAST to you, is coming soon to a district near you! Actually CAST will be implemented in all district offices effective 6/1/04. The CAST system will change how we process, store and retrieve the QR 7 (formerly known as CW 7).

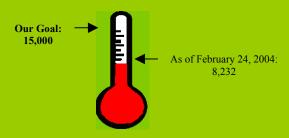
The CAST system will:

- Electronically scan/image QR 7s and verification/ documentation.
- Automatically route the QR 7 to the assigned QR 7 Change Center Worker.
- Provide on-line capability to sort, retrieve and review QR 7s and verification/documentation.
- Provide on-line tracking to help QR 7 Change Center staff quickly identify QR 7s pending processing.

In addition, the CAST system will ensure the ability to locate QR 7s and attachments for retrieval by QA and/or WFP&I staff.

Stay tuned more information coming soon.

## **DIRECT DEPOSIT UPDATE**



Did you know that DPSS' goal is to increase Direct Deposit enrollment from **7,500** to **15,000** by <u>September 30, 2004</u>? We are over half-way to our goal. As of February 24, 2004, 8,232 participants were signed up for Direct Deposit. This is an increase of 273 more participants' than last month's report.

Please join us in congratulating the **Santa Clarita District Office which** continues to maintain the highest Direct
Deposit enrollment levels amongst CalWORKs Districts.
Keep up the good work!

"Vision is the art of seeing things invisible."

Jonathan Swift

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